Annual Report
2017-18

Resources Himalaya Foundation

Securing nature in the Himalaya through "good science" & "informed evidence based decision making"
Cover Picture:  FISH (Fostering Indigenous Sustainable Harvest) for Climate Resilient Livelihoods in Middle Karnali Watershed of Karnali River Basin © Biraj Shrestha, Project Manager, Resources Himalaya Foundation
Note From the Chairperson

I am glad to share the Annual Report for the year 2017/2018 of the Resources Himalaya Foundation (RHF) with the readers. RHF as a knowledge-based nature conservation organization was founded by the late Pralad Yonzon in 1986. Its name then was Resources Nepal which was changed into Resources Himalaya in 2004 to reflect the wider geographical area where its members worked in the field of conservation and development. We are glad to report that in more than 30 years of its existence, RHF has always aspired to contribute to conserving nature through ‘good science’ and ‘politically correct’ decisions.

The programs and activities of RHF broadly fall under three major themes, viz., 1) Monitoring of biodiversity and conservation efforts; 2) Addressing contemporary issues in conservation and development; and 3) Capacity building and mentoring of the new generation. Under the first theme, the projects undertaken by RHF include a) Social mobilization and community engagement; b) Ecosystem based adaptation through South cooperation; c) Thirty years of community forestry: Mapping forest dynamics in the middle-hills of Nepal; and d) Fostering Indigenous Sustainable Harvest (FISH) for climate resilient livelihood in middle Karnali watershed of the Karnali River Basin.

Under the second theme, RHF carried out Climate change vulnerability assessment of Nilbarahi Sub-Watershed Area in Bhaktapur district. Another important activity under this theme has been the organizing and managing of various “Conservation Days” during the year. This includes marking important days like World Elephant day, International Red Panda Day, Save the Frog Day, International Day for Biological Diversity, etc. Recently, Environmental Graduates in the Himalaya (EGH, a sister organization within RHF) have started organizing Nature Hiking during week-ends and holidays with a view to raise awareness among the participants on the importance of nature conservation. Another very important task undertaken by EGH and its Coordinator consists of publishing (electronic) the Headlines Himalaya. This newsletter brings to the attention of its readers any important news item related to environment and conservation published in the news media in Nepal, Bhutan, India, Pakistan and China (Tibet). More than five thousand subscribers from 78 countries around the world receive and cherish our weekly Headlines.

The third theme, viz., capacity building and mentoring of the new generation is regarded as deserving concerted and serious attention from educational institutions, conservation organizations, teachers, established researchers, etc., who have been working within Nepal and beyond. One significant event under this theme this year was the “Fourth Graduate Conference on Environment and Sustainable Development”. This event was jointly organized by RHF, the Central Department of Environmental Science at Tribhuvan University, and The Institute for Social and Environmental Development. RHF also continues to organize and host GIS training, Wildlife training, and mentoring workshops for young university graduates as per demand.
I must mention that Resources Himalaya Foundation continues to collaborate and/or work with various national and international institutions/organizations including Government of Nepal, Universities in Nepal and elsewhere, WWF-Nepal, the East-West Center (Hawaii, USA), IDRC, World Bank (Nepal), ISET-Nepal, etc. in carrying out the projects described in this report.

Before I end my short note, I would like to thank the EGH coordinator and administrative staff members of RHF for their hard work in making things happen at RHF during the past year. I also would like to thank all those institutions and individuals who generously provided support (material or non-material or both) to RHF’s various programs and activities completed during the past year. I hope you will enjoy reading this annual report. We welcome any suggestions you may have for us.

Prof. Ram B. Chhetri
Chair, Resources Himalaya Foundation
THE GOVERNING BOARD

Chairperson: Dr. Ram B CHHETRI. Professor of Anthropology at Tribhuvan University. His specialization includes community-based resource management. He holds a Ph.D. in Anthropology from University of Hawaii, USA.

General Secretary: Dr. Dinesh R BHUJU. Academician at Nepal Academy of Science and Technology. Besides his academic work on ecology and environment, he has been actively involved in the promotion of science. He holds a Ph.D. from Chiba University, Japan.

Treasurer: Ms. Patanjali Y SHRESTHA has a Master’s Degree in International Relations from the University of Wollongong in Australia. She has a wider experience of working as a researcher on various issues, such as on women, ethnic groups, livelihood, forestry, school children and served RHF as Program Officer for five years.

Board Members

Dr. Pitamber SHARMA. Professor of Geography at Tribhuvan University for over two decades and vice-chair of the National Planning Commission in 2008. He is a geographer/ regional planner with wide experience in the Himalayas. He holds a Ph.D. in Regional Planning from Cornell University, USA.

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Dr. Deep NSHAH. Assistant Professor at the Department of Environmental Science, Tribhuvan University. With over a decade of experience in different roles at GOs, NGOs and INGOs projects over Nepal, he holds a Ph.D. in Natural Science (Biodiversity and Climate Change) from Johann Wolfgang Goethe-University, Germany.
Dr Ramji BOGATI pursued his PhD on Landscape Ecology and Landscape Planning from Dortmund University of Technology, Germany in 2012. Forest ecology, Ecosystem based Adaptation, and Urban Green Infrastructure are his major research interest. Dr Bogati has been involving in conservation, research and development projects since 2000.

Mr. Prakash Sharma has Master in International Cooperation and Development from University of Pavia, Italy. Mr. Sharma has more than 15 years of combined experiences in development sector mainly programme design, implementation and monitoring in development sector mainly on child labour, education, gender mainstreaming, social dialogue, workplace cooperation, industrial relation, social policies, enterprise development, informal economy, youths and employment, training and capacity building. He has special interest in project cycle management, research and development.

The Executive Office

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General Secretary

Dr. Kamal Adhikari
Team Leader

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Wildlife Biologist

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Research Officer

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EGH Coordinator (March-Aug. 2018)

Dr. Gauri Shankar Bhandari
Research Fellow

Mr. Saroj Basnet
EGH Coordinator (Sep. 2017- Feb, 2018)

Mr. Gopal Maharjan
Care Taker

Mr. Lal B. Tamang
Guard
BACKGROUND

Resources Himalaya Foundation (RHF) was established as a research think tank on natural resource conservation by late Dr. Pralad Yonzon. Registered with the Government of Nepal, RHF is a not-for-profit research foundation managed by a Governing Board. It has over 25 years of experience in innovative research and capacity building in biodiversity, environment, and livelihood in Nepal, Bhutan and Sikkim through nearly 200 research projects. The milestones include: Count Rhino 94, Status of the Red Panda in the Himalayas, Hornbill Ecology, Nationwide Database of Chure (Siwalik) Ecology, GIS Database of Nepal’s PA, Annapurna Conservation Area Management Plan, Elephant Conservation Action Plan, Snow Leopard Conservation Action Plan, Nepal Biodiversity Action Plan, and Conservation Plan of the Western Tarai - Churiya Region as the primer for Terai Arc Landscape (TAL). RHF also assisted in developing Rapid Biodiversity Survey Framework for all nine protected areas of Bhutan including Phobjikha Conservation Landscape Area Plan.

Bringing contemporary knowledge to deal with issues of natural resources conservation, and mentoring the younger generation to build the conservationists of the future are the two major thrusts of RHF’s work. In the last five years, it has mentored over 250 university graduates and enabled over 75 graduates to engage in dissertation studies.

MISSION, GOAL AND VISION

Mission

To conserve biodiversity in the Himalayas, to promote sustainable use of natural resources including soil, water, forest and rangeland, and to improve livelihoods particularly of the poor, disadvantaged and marginal sections of society.

Goal

To promote Good Science to facilitate Informed and Evidence-Based Decision-making, to secure
both biodiversity and resource conservation, and improve livelihoods of the poor.

**Vision**

Resources of the Himalayas are conserved for posterity and sustainably utilized for improving the livelihoods of its people.

**OBJECTIVES**

- Promote collaborative and innovative research at local and regional levels, and advocate evidence-based decisions,
- Promote community-based action-research on issues of contemporary relevance to biodiversity conservation and improving livelihoods,
- Groom and mentor the younger generation of graduates in environmental and social sciences on the path to becoming dedicated conservationists, and
- Provide a platform for scientific exchange, discussion, and advocacy on issues of conservation and livelihoods.

**ENVIRONMENTAL GRADUATES IN HIMALAYA**

RHF undertakes most of its activities through its sister organization, Environmental Graduates in the Himalaya (EGH). EGH is an independent forum for all young graduates, established in February 2008 as a sister organization of RHF with the mission of protection of environment and biodiversity in the Himalayas by building knowledge-based human resources amongst graduates through research, training and mentorship. With 675 members from Nepal, Australia, Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, China, Pakistan, Austria, Germany, Korea and the United States of America, EGH has established itself as an active science-based youth forum in Nepal. The membership is free and is open to the individuals who have a bachelor’s degree in any discipline and who are currently enrolled in master’s degree program. EGH gets support fund from RHF and other contributions from on-going EGH research projects. EGH publishes Headlines Himalaya, a weekly e-News to keep global readers abreast with the happenings in the Himalayas. EGH supports RHF in different activities, such as trainings, workshops, seminars, graduate open house and various events. It also maintains a digital library for graduates seeking reference reading. Further, it regularly endorses and undertakes research activities.

EGH is led by its coordinator who normally has six-month tenure. All graduate members are also entitled to compete for nomination/election for the post of EGH coordinator. The EGH Coordinator Honor Roll includes: Mr. Dhan B. Shrestha 2008; Mr. Yogesh Dangol 2008; Mr. Bhuwan Dhakal 2009; Ms. Sangita Maharjan 2009; Ms. Barsha Parajuli 2010; Ms. Kanchan Ojha 2011; Mr. Anuj Pradhan 2011; Mr. Raju Jati 2012; Ms. Medinee Prajapati 2012; Mr. Biraj Shrestha 2013; Ms. Anju Rana 2013; Ms. Upama KC 2014; Ms. Meena Bohara 2014; Mr. Chitra Magar 2015; Ms. Kalpana KC 2015; Ms. Ishu Sireng 2016. Ms. Rasmi Kunwar 2016; Ms. Binita Pandey 2017; Mr. Saroj Basnet 2017/18; Ms. Bandana Adhikari is the present EGH Coordinator.

**EGH Coordinator’s View**

Namaste, My name is Raju Jati. My formal engagement at EGH initiated with the editorial role in ‘Headlines Himalaya’ during the months of Nov/Dec 2011, immediately after participating in the
‘editorial training’ delivered by late Dr. Yonzon. Then after, I got an opportunity to join as EGH Coordinator from Jan to Jul 2012. Exposure to different programs as weekly radio programs and monthly PYCF (that started during my tenure), publishing weekly Headlines Himalaya and training diversified my experience. This was not only limited to management and coordination of the overall programs and network mobilization of EGH but it served as a platform to develop and demonstrate my skills, build upon my knowledge and learning on different aspects of research and development.

Immediately after my tenure in EGH, I received an opportunity to work in a project in RHF that further enhanced my capacity for project management and knowledge, especially on climate change vulnerability assessment. I used this skill to prepare Local Adaptation Plan for Action (LAPA) in different districts of Nepal through Adaptation Groups of Nepal (AGON) Pvt. Ltd. and LI-BIRD. I further demonstrated my ability in leading multiple climate change related projects throughout my tenure in LI-BIRD (2014-2018). My four years of engagement at LI-BIRD led to the successful completion of altogether 6 projects of various scales on climate change. The projects have not only helped in my personal/professional development but also supported thousands of climate vulnerable people from 13 districts of Nepal.

Last but not the least, I am always grateful and am proud to be a part of EGH and RHF - that formed a base for my professional career.

“Namaste” I am Medinee Prajapati. I am currently working as an “Environment Specialist” at “Education and Human Resource Development Center” (then Department of Education), Sanothimi Bhaktapur under Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, Nepal.

My affiliation with Environmental Graduates in Himalaya (EGH) initiated during Masters’ level studies and my engagement grew profound with up-taking the responsibility as an ‘EGH Coordinator’ during 2012. My engagement widened with undertaking the ‘editorial and chief editorial role’ in Headlines Himalaya - a flagship publication of EGH and as a ‘Trainer in GIS’. I received ample opportunities at EGH in developing the core skills of leadership and coordination.

Words can neither qualify nor quantify how helpful the opportunities and guidance has been provided by EGH/ RHF team for my personal development. I am forever grateful towards late Dr. Yonzon for his mentorship which I received during the start of my career.

Namaste Graduates! My name is Biraj Shrestha and I was the coordinator of EGH in 2013. The experience I gained at EGH was substantial for my future career as it was the first full-time job I had, right after my studies. EGH turned out to be the place where I transformed my dream into reality by working for amphibians as a biologist and a campaigner, educating hundreds and thousands of people across Nepal.

Currently, I work for an F.I.S.H. project funded by USAID-PANI as a Project Manager at RHF and flying soon to California this Fall season to study MS in Coastal Science and Policy Program under the full fellowship at the prestigious University of California, Santa Cruz. Thank you.
Hello Graduates,

It’s Meena Bohara, the former EGH Coordinator of 2014. Currently, I am a CAS-TWAS Fellow pursuing Ph.D. degree from Chinese Academy of Science, specialized in Ecology.

Going through the memory lane while I started working as EGH Coordinator immediately after I graduated gave me an immense pleasure and still feels honored to be a part of Resources Himalaya Foundation. It was a great breakthrough to start as a professional career. Proper guidance and supervision from the respected board members and mentors always inspired me to keep up the spirit and move ahead. The freedom to explore and engage in personal development activities along with leadership opportunities helped me a lot to grow at personal as well as professional level. The six months experience had been a milestone keeping me motivated, creative and focused. Skills such as proposal writing and editing Headlines Himalaya has been great helping me now in my research works. I have always been fascinated by the working environment of RHF and looking forward to working together with the aspiring graduates in near future.

Namaste! I am Binita Pandey and had served as an EGH Coordinator from March to August 2017. Looking back to my first day at EGH to what I have achieved today, I feel thrilled at how this organization has unnoticeably reinforced me through the works that I was bestowed upon. The tenure in EGH has acted as a transformation period for me, from a Coordinator to a Researcher, from Editor to Technical reviewer of Headlines Himalaya, and has always encouraged me to follow my interest on insects, for which I couldn’t thank enough to Late Dr. Pralad Yonzon Sir for building such platform to newbie.

Continuing my journey with EGH/RHF, I am currently working as a Wildlife Biologist in F.I.S.H Project funded by USAID-PANI at RHF and also pursuing my interest on Pollinators through Auckland Zoo Small Conservation Grant.

Activities:

PRIORITY THEMATIC AREAS

RHF’s core concerns – conservation of biodiversity and resources, and improving livelihoods of people – cover a very broad canvas. RHF’s strategic plan 2011-2015 outlines a long-term vision with the coherence of short-term programs. Three broad priority thematic areas have been identified:

1) Monitoring of biodiversity and conservation efforts,

2) Addressing contemporary issues in conservation and development, and

3) Capacity building and mentoring for the new generation.

1) Monitoring of biodiversity and conservation efforts

A) Social Mobilization and Community Engagement (2017-2019)

The Social Mobilization and Community Engagement is two years project supported by Nepal Reconstruction Engineering Services Project (NRES) program. NRES is established and funded
by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The NRES project aims to support USAID in its efforts to “build back safer” health and education facilities in Nepal after the devastating earthquake of April 2015. To accomplish this objective, the project will be implemented through Task Orders that will include design and construction of schools, health care facilities or other Government of Nepal (GON) in the 3 schools of Kathmandu Valley;

1. Adarsha Higher Secondary School, Sanothimi, Bhaktapur
2. Kanya Mandir Higher Secondary School, Nhyakha, Kathmandu
3. Bhagwati Higher Secondary School, Sankhu, Kathmandu

RHF with the support of CDM Smith International INC. is providing qualified social mobilizing in developing understanding and cooperation within the communities in these Schools, in order to enhance the potential success and outcomes of the program.

B) Ecosystem-based Adaptation through South Corporation, EbA (2017-2018)

Resources Himalaya Foundation was involved in the Project in monitoring and implementation protocol of EbA interventions from Movement 2017 to August 2018. An Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) project entitled Enhancing Capacity, Knowledge and Technology Support to Build Climate Resilience of Vulnerable Developing Country is being implemented in three countries, viz. Mauritania, Nepal, and Seychelles. Initiated in 2013, this is a GEF (Global Environment Facility) funded EbA South project which aims at addressing the vulnerabilities of local communities to climate change by using ecosystem-based approaches to adapt to climate change through capacity building, knowledge sharing and technology transfer. In Nepal, the Ministry of Population and Environment (MoPE) is the project focal and implementing the project in partnership with the NDRC (National Development & Reform Commission) of China through IGSNRR-CAS (Institute of Geographic Sciences & Natural Resources Research, Chinese Academy of Sciences) and the UN Environment (UNEP). The project interventions are being

Plantation in Lamjung District.

Social Mobilization on field.
implemented in watershed restoration through EbA interventions within a framework of the longer-term research program (LTRP) in the selected sites of three districts, namely: Lamjung, Gorkha, and Tanahu. The plantation started in 2015 in Lamjung and from 2017 in Gorkha and Tanahu.

C) Thirty Years of Community Forestry: Mapping Forest Dynamics in the Middle Hills of Nepal

This is a three-year-long project (2015-2018) with the financial support of Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange between East and West, Inc, USA. The major objectives of the study are to:

i) Build a comprehensive, multi-resolution database of forest-cover change in the Middle Hills over the last 30 years;

ii) Examine the relationship between aboveground biomass carbon stocks across forests of different types, ages and management regimes and;

iii) Quantify how two well-documented socioeconomic drivers of change in Nepal, the Maoist conflict and migration, have affected forest cover in the Middle Hills and at a sample of community forest sites.

D) F.I.S.H. (Fostering Indigenous Sustainable Harvest) for Climate Resilient Livelihoods in Middle Karnali Watershed of Karnali River Basin (2018-2019)

F.I.S.H. for Climate Resilient Livelihoods’ is a unique approach to address the problems of the fisheries sector and threats to the freshwater biodiversity of the Karnali river basin in mid-western Nepal with the support of DAI Inc. This project is an amalgamation of scientific research, advocacy, conservation and empowerment of the grass root people dependent over aquatic ecosystem with prime interest on fish. This activity seeks to reduce threats to aquatic biodiversity and increase community resilience to climate change in the Middle Karnali Watershed. The program aims to develop sustainable fishery management which will be a sustainable livelihood for the communities that are dependent on it. Some of the objectives of the program are to prepare a fish database, build awareness on sustainable fish farming and harvesting, establish community river groups and develop the regulatory mechanism to address destructive fishing practices prevalent in Middle Karnali. The working locations for this proposed project are Aathabis Municipality (Dailekh district), Thantikandh Rural Municipality (Dailekh district), Kamalbazaar Municipality (Achham district), Turmakhad Rural Municipality (Achham district) and Naraharinath Rural Municipality (Kalikot district).

E) Bumblebees (Bombus spp.) in-situ Conservation

at Kathmandu valley and surrounding regions, central Nepal through a blend of Research and Empowering Citizen Scientists.

This is a year-long project (24 June 2018- 23 May 2019) with Ms Binita Pandey, Wildlife Biologist RHF as a Principal Investigator. The project is
financial supported from Auckland Zoo, New Zealand under Auckland Zoo Conservation Fund Small Grants. The project sites are Shivapuri-Nagarjun National Park, Godawari Botanical Garden and Nagarkot Hill in Kathmandu Valley. The main objectives are: i) establishment of an information on baseline data of bumblebees regarding species identification, status, spatial distribution, habitat association and identification of hotspots, ii) assessment of threats, mostly from human activities (use of pesticides, habitat fragmentation, etc.) and also, ethno zoological relationship between local community and bumblebees, iii) conduction of Bumblebees Conservation Education Outreach Program by forming a group of Citizen Scientists in each target area while educating them about the importance of bumblebee as pollinators. For fulfilling the objectives, the first field visit has been undertaken (15th Aug-2nd Sep, 2018) on which collection of the bumblebees’ data for spring season along with half of the questionnaire survey (n=300) is completed. The project will continue to accomplish its objectives until May, 2019.

Ms Binita Pandey with a field assistant communicating with the locals during questionnaire survey

2) Addressing contemporary issues in conservation and development

A) Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment on Nilbarahi Sub-watershed Area, Bhaktapur

This research project was successfully completed with the support of Social Awareness and Development Association (SADA) Nepal under the leadership of Ms. Samjhana Kawan, Researcher of RHF. The purpose of this study was to sensitize about the impact of climate change on a watershed area and assess the degree of vulnerability. RHF was actively involved in identifying climate change vulnerability on the watershed area because such assessments are very rare in the context of mid-hill of Nepal. The assessment was done by engaging the local communities to choose priority impact areas through social surveys (focal group discussion, key informant interview, and household survey) as well as lab test of local soil and water.

On the basis of this approach, two case studies were carried out in Bode, Bhaktapur by undergraduates of Tribhuvan University and Kathmandu University to provide information on the realities of vulnerability.

Vulnerability Assessment involving Local People

These case studies provided many series of reflections on vulnerability with the help of various primary and secondary climate data.
B) Conservation Days: RHF and EGH have a long tradition of marking important days in regard with environment and conservation.

World Elephant Day

On 11 August 2017, World Elephant Day was celebrated by organizing a talk event relating to issues and threats for elephants in national scenario. Two guest speakers, Dr. Narendra Man Babu Pradhan, Wildlife Biologist and Mr. Nabin Gopal Baidya, Senior Conservation Officer in Wildlife Conservation Nepal (WCN) were invited as presenters while university students and researchers were the participants. Dr. Narendra Man Babu Pradhan as a first presenter, talked on the ongoing escalation of human population and resource development and the resulting loss of habitat for elephants and increase in human-elephant conflict. Dr. Pradhan through the recent data of Bardiya and Shuklaphanta area showed the significant variation on the human-elephant conflict intensity between seasons with extreme rate during the winter and the rainy season due to crop availability in the field. He further remarked upon 80% of human causalities due to elephant can be minimized just avoiding negligence and ignorance made by human being. Mr. Baidya, the second presenter through his presentation entitled “Elephant Conservation in Eastern Nepal: Issues and Challenges”, explained how the locals are resorted to firing and poisoning of elephants making them hostile and turning their ire against villagers in the eastern region of the country. He further emphasized on the implementation of the policies that discourage the migration of people to the elephant corridor. Community awareness towards protecting elephant’s habitat could be one of the effective measures to protect this umbrella species in accordance to Mr. Baidya. The program ended with closing remarks and vote of thanks by Prof. Dr. Tej Bahadur Thapa, Board member of RHF.

International Red Panda Day

Late Dr. Pralad B Yonzon, the founder of Resources Himalaya Foundation, was the pioneer researcher who had conducted several researches on Red Panda. To commemorate his legacy on Red Panda and to aware the uninformed ones about the need for Red Panda conservation, Resources Himalaya Foundation has been marking up International Red Panda Day (IRPD) for several years. This year, Resources Himalaya Foundation in collaboration with Red Panda Network and Central Zoo had to celebrate IRPD 2017 involving school and university students with several fun-filled activities from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM on 17 September 2017.

In hope of bringing more public awareness to preserve the unique and important little animal, “International Red Panda Day- 2017” was celebrated among 120 participants. 17 September, Resources Himalaya Foundation had marked the auspicious day and was celebrated with Red Panda themed activities in Central Zoo, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur in collaboration with Red Panda Network and NTNC-Central Zoo. The goal of celebrating the day was to raise awareness about the species conservation
in the different age groups from different sectors. The program was started with the documentary entitled, “The Forgotten Panda” along with the presentation on the topic entitled “Interesting Facts about Red Panda”. Zookeeper from Central Zoo, talked about the background and its status along with the role of the zoo to preserve the adorable little creature. Mr. Damber Bista an expert, from Red Panda Network, was invited and during the 15 minutes of his PowerPoint Presentation, he highlighted the Red Panda Conservation status in Nepal along with its distribution, occupancy in districts and protected areas. He further emphasized the conservation challenges in the context of Nepal. Mask Competition and Puzzle Game related to the Red Panda theme was also one of the acmes of the program. The program was ended with closing remarks and vote of thanks by Prof. Dr. Ram B Chhetri, Chairperson of Resources Himalaya Foundation.

World Science Day

Marking up “World Science Day for Peace and Development, 2017”, in keeping with the theme “Science for Global Understanding” Resources Himalaya Foundation (RHF) and Environmental Graduates in Himalaya (EGH) had organized a discussion program entitled “Contemporary Issues on Wildlife Research in Nepal” with more than two dozens of Wildlife Biologist of Nepal in one floor on 08 November 2017.

Mr. Dambar Bista, Dr. Narayan Koju, Dr. Pushparaj Acharya, Mr. Prakash Chandra Aryal, Dr. Man Kumar Dhamala, Dr. Janak Raj Khatriwada, Dr. Prem Budha, Ms. Tulshi Laxmi Suwal, Mr. Dipendra Adhikari, and Mr. Jeevan Thapa were invited as the speakers where the university students and researchers were the participants. Dr. Dinesh Raj Bhuju, General Secretary of RHF welcomed the Wildlife Biologists and highlighted the main theme of conducting this program among the participants. Prof. Dr. Tej Bahadur Thapa from the central Department of Zoology moderated the program. During the event, various issues in conducting research in Nepal were discussed. The program ended with the closing remarks and vote of thanks by Dr. Dinesh Raj Bhuju.

SOLIDARITY TO, “YEAR OF ECOLOGY IN RUSSIA”

A talk program entitled, “Armen Leonovich Takhtajan – A legendary scientist of the 20th Century from Russia” was organized by Resources Himalaya Foundation (RHF) and Environmental Graduates in Himalaya (EGH) on 15 December 2017 in order to mark and give a solidarity to “Year of Ecology in Russia 2017”. As the event was mainly celebrated with the objective to draw public attention towards environmental issues, to support the protection of ecological and biological diversity and to reinforce ecological security of the country via enlightening with the contribution done by the Soviet-Armenian botanist, who was one of the most important figures in 20th century and worked in the field of plant evolution and systematics and biogeography. Two guest speakers, Prof. Dr. Ram Prasad
Chaudhary and Prof. Dr. Krishna Kumar Shrestha were invited as a guest among graduate students and conservationists who jointly shared the presentation about Takhtajan. Prof. Dr. Ram Prasad Chaudhary as a first presenter shared about family background, early life and education and some remarkable events in Komarov Botanical Institute while they worked together. Prof. Chaudhary also mentioned Takhtajan’s keen interest in natural history and traveling and also shared about why Takhtajan is considered as one of the masters of plants systematic. While the second speaker Prof. Dr. Krishna Kumar Shrestha shared almost all the incidents that he had with Takhtajan while working together. The program was then followed by discussion and ended with the closing remarks and vote of thanks by Dr. Kamal Adhikari, Director of RHF.

World Water Day

On 22 March 2018, World Water Day 2018 was celebrated by organizing a Panel Discussion which was moderated by Dr. Tista Prasai Joshi, Scientific Officer at Nepal Academy of Science and Technology and the panelist were Dr. Ram Devi Tachamo Shah, Research Associate at Resources Himalaya Foundation, Dr. Uttam Paudel, Information Management Manager at Housing Recovery and Reconstruction Platform and Ms. Sajal Pradhan, Co-Founder of Best Paani. Dr. Shah highlighted the importance of water resources and aquatic biodiversity and the need for assessing the ecological status of rivers as the rivers are being polluted more. She added that the river does not signify only water but it is an ecosystem. Dr. Uttam Paudel discussed the hazard modeling and emphasized the management of water. He further added the problems related to the scarcity of water after the April earthquake and its effect in reconstruction. He suggested natural solutions for hazard management due to water. Ms. Sajal Pradhan highlighted the importance of rainwater harvesting. She added that there is a need for strong collaboration between academic and non-academic institutions. Eventually, Dr. Joshi concluded the discussion by highlighting the importance of safe drinking water and maintaining its quality. The program ended with the vote of thanks and closing remarks by Dr. Tej Bahadur Thapa, Board Member of RHF.

10TH Annual Save The Frogs Day

On the occasion of 10th Annual Save the Frogs Day, EGH and RHF had organized a program on 28 April 2018. The main motive of the program was to discourage frog dissection practice in biology labs. The event had a wider participation of college and university students, zoology teachers, conservationist, academicians and media person. Mr. Biraj Shrestha, Research Officer at RHF and SAVE THE FROGS! Task force member was the event coordinator and supported by volunteers from EGH. The event included the presentation from Mr.
Biraj Shrestha on the topic entitled “The Downside of Frogs Dissection” where he highlighted the importance of frogs and their role in the ecosystem and the decline of frogs due to several threats. He further disseminated the role of dissection in the decline of the number of frogs and said that dissection is one of the major threats to some frogs species in Nepal. The program was then followed by discussion among the participants and release of the poster, which disclosed the declining status of frogs due to dissection and the alternatives to dissection. The program ended with the closing remarks of Dr. Dinesh Raj Bhuju, General Secretary of RHF.

International Day for Biological Diversity 2018

On May 22nd, EGH in collaboration with RHF and Natural History Museum (NHM) had marked up “International Day for Biological Diversity” by organizing an event at Natural History Museum, Swayambhu. The theme of this year was “Celebrating 25 Years of Action for Biodiversity”. The event was mostly focused on school students from Grade seven to nine along with their teachers. The program started with a welcome note and brief introduction of the Natural History Museum by Dr. Ishan Gautam. He elaborated the role of NHM in creating awareness among people and students about the conservation of biodiversity and also disseminated the information that NHM is also playing a major role in policy formulation and regulation. The program was then followed by the power-point presentation of Ms. Bandana Adhikari, EGH Coordinator, on the topic entitled “Biodiversity of Nepal”. The presentation started with the introduction and history of the Convention on Biological Diversity and further elaboration of biodiversity and its importance. Ms. Adhikari highlighted the status of biodiversity of Nepal where she talked about various levels of biodiversity and threats they have been facing. The presentation ended by showing a short video clip about the biodiversity. Dr. Dharma Raj Dangol, Professor and Chief of NHM, gave a brief speech about the importance of biodiversity and entertained students by asking different questions related to biodiversity. The next presentation was of Jenisha Napit, Lab Assistant, on the topic entitled “Role of NHM in Biodiversity Conservation” where she highlighted the works done by NHM for the conservation of biodiversity and another presentation was of Monica Shrestha, where she highlighted the status of the fauna of Nepal. The program ended with the closing remarks and vote of thanks by Prof. Dr. Nirmala Pradhan.
C) Headlines Himalaya:

Headlines Himalaya is designed to provide a weekly round-up of major environment related news from the Himalayas. Thus far, 509th issues of Headlines Himalaya have been published. The newsletter has been subscribed by more than 5,000 readers from 78 countries around the world. This weekly e-News is an attempt to keep global readers abreast with the happenings in the Himalayas. It covers the news from Himalayan regions of five countries – Nepal, Bhutan, India, Pakistan and China (Tibet). HH also provides an opportunity for environmental graduates to work as monthly editors.

List of Editors- July 2017 – June 2018

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D) Nature Hiking

Environmental Graduates in Himalaya (EGH) had organized a nature hiking program on 31 March 2018. Altogether twenty-three hikers were part of the event and it started from Macchegaun to Champadevi hills. The hikers actively took part in the event and observed various species of birds, herpetofauna, and butterflies and several types of vegetation were observed throughout the hike. Along with this, the techniques for the preservation of scats were also described.

3) Capacity Building and Mentoring for the new generation

10th EGH DAY CELEBRATION

To celebrate 10th Annual EGH Day, “Young Researchers Paper Competition” was organized as a continuation of last years’ program so as to create a platform for sharing the outcomes of young researchers. The judge panelists were Dr. Man Kumar Dhamala, CDES, Mr. Prakash Chandra Aryal, GGIC and Mr. Purna Chandraal Rajbhandari, Executive member of RHF. Top 10 finalist among 25 graduates from different universities, shared their research in the competition and the winner was awarded a cash prize of NPR 5000 (Best Paper), Sarita Ghale from CDES and NPR 2500 (Best Poster), Sumana Devkota from CDES.

Fourth Graduate Conference on Environment and Sustainable Development

With the theme “Nature, Science and Society: Fostering Youth Leadership for Research and Development”, the Fourth Graduate Conference on Environment and Sustainable Development (GCESD) was jointly organized by the Central Development of Environment Science (TU-CDES), Resources Himalaya Foundation (RHF), Institute for Social and Environmental Transitions-Nepal (ISET-Nepal) and School of Environmental Science and Management (SchEMS) on the 5th and 6th of April 2018. The main focus of the conference was to establish an interdisciplinary knowledge sharing platform for young researchers with a particular focus on the environment, resource conservation,
and management, economic development, social and natural sciences.

This is the fourth conference on series which was held at Hotel Himalaya, Kupondole, Lalitpur. There were six technical sessions for oral presentations during the first day followed by a presentation from national and international experts, two technical sessions for oral presenters, two poster sessions, panel discussion and a closing session on the second day. The inauguration ceremony was graced by the presence of distinguished guests: Prof. Dr. Ram Prasad Khatiwada, Dean, Tribhuvan University-Institute of Science and Technology (TU-IoST, Conference Chair), Prof. Dr. Ram Kantha Makaju Shrestha, Vice-Chancellor, Kathmandu University (Chief Guest), Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST), and Dr. Bindu Nath Lohani, Former Vice President for “Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development” at Asian Development Bank (ADB). The conference was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Ram Kantha Makaju Shrestha and was followed by the recital of the national anthem. This was followed by highlights of the previous conference by Mr. Ratna Deep Lohani of ISET-Nepal. Altogether, 37 oral presenters were present there to share their research findings under five thematic areas. Likewise, 20 researchers disseminated their research findings and knowledge through a poster presentation. The best presenters from each session were awarded. After the completion of the poster session, a panel discussion on “Nature, science, and society: Fostering youth leadership for research and development” was held which was moderated by Mr. Suman Shakya, Managing Director, One Planet Solution Pvt. Ltd.; Mr. Gagan Thapa, MP, Nepali Congress; Dr. Sumitra Amatya, Former NPC member; Mr. Himal Sharma, Leader, CPN Maoist Centre; Ms. Manushi Yami Bhattarai, Leader Naya Shakti and Dr. Surya Raj Acharya, Bibeksheel Sajha were the panelist on the discussion about fostering youth leadership for research and development. For closing sessions, the representatives from all four initiative partners; Prof. Dr. Rejina Maskey, HoD, CDES-TU, Mr. Ajay Dixit, Executive Director, ISET-Nepal, Mr. Kanchan Mani Dixit, Conference Coordinator, ISET-Nepal, Prof. Dr. Tej Bahadur Thapa, Board Member, RHF and Mrs. Rama Baskota, SchEMS put their remarks about the conference and its need respectively. The formal session was ended with a certificate and token distribution and was followed by the cultural program.

The conference was conceived as an annual event as A Himalayan Knowledge Conclave. The Government of Nepal and other organizations working in the field of environment and sustainable development are providing support for the conference. The major motive of the conference is to promote leadership skills as well as to provide an opportunity for networking among peer researchers and experts. It provides an interdisciplinary knowledge-sharing platform for young researchers, with a particular focus on natural sciences including environment, resource conservation and management, and economic development.

TRAINING AND MENTORING WORKSHOPS FOR YOUNG GRADUATES

The Proposal / Thesis Writing Training

Environmental Graduates in Himalaya (EGH) successfully completed three days training on “Thesis/Dissertation Proposal Writing” with the participation of 24 students of Environmental Science from Golden Gate International College (GGIC). Training started from 30 July 2017 and was instructed by three experts, Dr. Dinesh Raj Bhuju (Resources Himalaya Foundation), Dr. Ashutosh
Shukla, Senior Research Fellow (Institute for Social and Environmental Transition-Nepal) and Dr. Ramji Bogati (Resources Himalaya Foundation). The training was coordinated by Ms. Binita Pandey, EGH Coordinator.

**R- Training**

EGH successfully completed seven days training on R Programming, starting from 25 – 31 May 2018. Mr. Prakash Chandra Aryal, Faculty member of Central Department of Environmental Science (CDES) and Golden Gate International College (GGIC), instructed 13 individuals from different sectors according to the course structure prepared.

**GIS Training**

EGH successfully completed training on Geographic Information System (ArcGIS 10.2) starting from 6–13 November 2017. Mr. Bishnu Maharjan, MSc in GIS from Salzburg University, Austria, instructed students from different sectors according to the course structure prepared. The training package included geo-referencing, digitization, projection system, DEM, Land use type, Integration of Google earth and GPS data analysis.

**TRAINING ON MANN-KENDALL TRENDS TEST**

On 22 August 2017, Environmental Graduates in Himalaya (EGH) has organized three hours training on “Mann- Kendall Trend Test” with Ms. Asmita Poudel, a student of Central Department of Environmental Science, as a trainer.
WILDLIFE TRAINING TO THE GRADUATES

Environmental Graduates in Himalaya (EGH) had organized Wildlife Training for Graduates among the 8 students in collaboration with World Wildlife Fund (WWF-Nepal), National Trust for Nature Conservation (NTNC), Zoological Society of London (ZSL-Nepal), Himalayan Nature and Resources Himalaya Foundation (RHF) from 16 - 23 December as to groom and mentor the younger generation of graduates in environmental and natural sciences on the path to becoming dedicated wildlife conservationists. The training was mainly focused on three areas i.e. innovative research and policy analysis, mentoring and capacity building of the younger generation, and creating a platform for knowledge management and dissemination.

PRALAD YONZON CONSERVATION FORUM

The Pralad Yonzon Conservation Forum (PYCF) was initiated in the year 2012 in the memory of Dr. Pralad Yonzon, Founder of RHF. PYCF is a knowledge dissemination and advocacy platform. Open public seminars/meetings/discussions are held on the first Friday of each month to disseminate issues of public interest connected with environmental conservation, livelihoods and sustainable use of natural resources.

Efforts are being made to broaden the PYCF as a regional platform that brings together professionals and researchers not only from the environmental sciences but also from ancillary disciplines in the natural as well as social sciences. From July 2017 to June 2018, a total of 11 professionals, experts and researchers have shared their ideas on a variety of themes in the forum.
List of speakers on PYCF (July 2017 – June 2018)

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<td>Ms. Uma Sigdel</td>
<td>Local Adaptation plans, processes, and outcomes: Discourses and ground realities</td>
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<td>Vermicomposting: A Solution for Organic Waste Management</td>
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<td>Mr. Rishi Shah</td>
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Sharing Experiences

Sharing Experiences (formerly Guff Gaff) is a semi-formal monthly discussion program, which was initiated on 25 December 2012 by EGH. Under this program recognized experts in various, mostly environment sector are invited to share their personal and professional experience with interested EGH members in an informal setting during the lunch hour. Many EGH members seek suggestions and advice from experts in their own areas of interests and also gain insights into experiences of the “real” world. In the 2017/18, various honored guests shared their knowledge and experiences with EGH members.
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<td>Mr. Jeevan Rai</td>
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<td>Jun 2018</td>
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT
To The Members of Resources Himalaya Foundation (RHF)

Report on the Financial Statements
We have audited the accompanying financial statements comprising Balance Sheet as at 32nd Ashadh 2075 (16th July, 2018), Income and Expenditure Statement and Fund Accountability Statement for the period 1st Shrawan 2074 to 32nd Ashadh 2075, read with notes appended thereon. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of RHF. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these statements based on our audit.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements
Management of RHF is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor’s Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Nepal Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion
In our opinion, the financial statements comprising of Balance Sheet as at 32nd Ashadh 2075 (16th July, 2018), Income and Expenditure Statement and Fund Accountability Statement for the period 1st Shrawan 2074 to 32nd Ashadh 2075, read with notes appended thereon, presents fairly, in all material respects, revenues and costs incurred for the period and balance as at year end in accordance with the terms of the agreement with donor, local laws and in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Date: 2075-06-02
Place: Kathmandu

RA. Dambar Lal Shrestha
D. L. Shrestha & Associates
Registered Auditors

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## Resources Himalaya Foundation

**Sanjeev Naya Bato, Siddhupul, Nepal**

**Fund Accountability Statement**

For the period from 1 January, 2017 to 30 April, 2017

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